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In re Application of:

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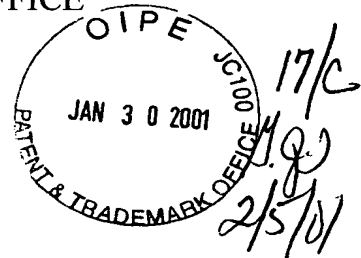
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

This is in response to the United States Patent and Trademark Office Action mailed August 1, 2000, and following several interviews held with the Examiner in relation thereto. By this filing, Applicant is filing a Continuing Prosecution Application (CPA), by which the Amendment filed November 29, 2000 is entered, along with the amendment filed hereinbelow. An extension of time from December 1, 2000 through February 1, 2001 is requested and being paid for. A one month extension of time had already been requested and paid for on November 29, 2000. Please amend the application as follows:

In the claims:

Please cancel claim 58.

Please amend claims 54 and 57 as follows:

54. (Amended) A biological preparation for use in vivo comprising, ex vivo, cells in suspension and a purified, natural or recombinant, glycosaminoglycans degrading enzyme being externally